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SUBJECT: GOE REMOVES OUTSPOKEN NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
VICE-PRESIDENT

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1.KEY POINTS -- (SBU) On February 8, Egypt's Upper House of Parliament announced the new composition of the quasi-government National Council f
2.(C) Comment: The GOE established the NCHR in 2003 with a mandate to issue human rights recommendations and field complaints from citizens, bu
3.(SBU) On February 8, the Upper House of Parliament announced the NCHR's composition of 25 members, a president, vice-president and secretary-
4.(C) Human rights lawyer Negad El-Borai viewed Aboulmagd's dismissal as part of the GOE's resistance to political reform in the run-up to the
5.(C) Afro-Egyptian Human Rights Organization Director Engi El-Haddad criticized new Vice-President Shaker's previous opposition to judicial ir
6.(C) NDP policies committee member and Gamal Mubarak confidante Hossam Badrawi, who is an NCHR member, told us the change will not affect the